REQUEST FOR FILING A PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)
Attorney Docket: 100338.54684C1

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a request for filing a \underline{x} continuation or $\underline{}$ divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No 09/488,103 Filed on January 20, 2000

Of Paul Stark, et al.

Entitled: MULTIPARTICULATE BISOPROLOL FORMULATION

Examiner: Robert Joynes

Group: 1615

- Accompanying this order is a true copy of the prior application as originally filed
 Total pages of specification, claims and abstract: 49
- X 2. Formal drawings are being filed herewith consisting of 3 sheet(s), depicting Figures 1-3.
- X 3. Declaration and Power of Attorney:
 - a. _ Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. X Copy from prior application
 - i. __ Deletion of Inventors signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application
- X 4. Incorporation by Reference:

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

_	5.	Smal	l enti	ty st	atus:								
		a A small entity statement is enclosed											
		b A statement of small entity status (copy attached) wa filed on in the prior application and status as a small entity is still proper and desired.											
		c Is no longer claimed											
<u>X</u> 6.		The filing fee is calculated below:											
CLAIMS AS FILED, INCLUDING ANY CLAIMS CANCELLED OR ADDED BY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT													
Basic Fee										\$385	<u>. </u>		\$770
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X 14. The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

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- X a. The power appears in the original application papers in the prior application.
- ___ b. Since the power does not appear in the original application papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- c. Attached is a duplicate of a Supplemental Declaration which was filed in the prior application to overcome informalities.
- X d. Address all future correspondence to:

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- X 15. Copies of Forms PTO-892 and PTO-1449 listing prior art made of record in the prior application are attached. A copy of each of the listed references should be available in the prior application file.
- X 16. Return Receipt Postcard.
- __ 17. Other: ___

Respectfully submitted,

Date April 1, 2004

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